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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Office Action Summary

Application No. 09/832,340	Applicant(s) SCHILLER ET AL.	
Examiner Brian Q. Le	Art Unit 2623	

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --
Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on _____.
- 2a) This action is FINAL. 2b) This action is non-final.
- 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) Claim(s) 1-10,12 and 13 is/are pending in the application.
4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) Claim(s) 1-10,12 and 13 is/are rejected.
- 7) Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) The drawing(s) filed on 10 April 2001 is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) All b) Some * c) None of:
1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____
- 4) Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____
- 5) Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) Other: _____

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Election/Restrictions

1. Claims 11 and 14-36 are withdrawn from further consideration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.142(b) as being drawn to a nonelected invention, there being no allowable generic or linking claim.

Election was made **without** traverse in the reply filed on 02/25/2005.

Drawings

2. Figures 1, 5, 12-13 and 14-15 are objected to because of poor quality (see handwritten portions also). A proposed drawing correction or corrected drawings are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

4. Claims 1-2, 4-5, and 7-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Yamakita, Tooru EP 0 865 192.

Regarding claim 1, Yamakita teaches a method comprising:

Receiving handwriting data (writing data on portable terminal) electronically from a remote user at a handwritten-information server (host device) (page 1, column 1), and

Processing the handwriting data in accordance with instructions provided to the server by the user (page 1, column 2).

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For claim 2, Yamakita further teaches the method which the handwriting data is generated using a handwriting device at the location of the remote user (portable terminal such as table for special pen/stylus) (page 1, column 1 and FIG. 2).

Regarding claim 4, Yamakita discloses method including performing handwriting recognition at the site of the remote user (page 1, column 2, first 2 lines).

For claim 5, Yamakita teaches the method including performing handwriting recognition at the handwritten-information server (character recognition at personal computer/host device) (column 1, lines 33-38).

For claim 7, Yamakita teaches the method which the handwriting data includes information identifying a destination of the handwriting data (page 2, column 2, lines 30-39).

Referring to claim 8, Yamakita further teaches the method which the processing of the handwriting data includes forwarding it to a destination (page 2, column 2, lines 30-39).

Also to claim 9, Yamakita teaches the method which the forwarding comprises sending the handwriting data in FAX format (page 8, column 13, lines 25-30).

Regarding claim 10, Yamakita teaches the method which the forwarding comprises sending the handwriting data as an email attachment or in a body of an email (content of a email) (column 2, lines 40-50).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

5. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person

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having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

6. Claims 3, 6 and 12-13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Yamakita, Tooru EP 0 865 192 as applied to claim 3 above, and further in view of Lee U.S. Patent No. 5,347,477.

Regarding claim 3, Yamakita teaches the method which the handwriting data is generated by a special pen (page 2, lines 45-47). Yamakita does not explicitly teach wherein the pen can be electronic wireless pen. Lee further teaches a method processes handwriting wherein handwriting data is generated by an electronic wireless pen (column 3, lines 24-25 and FIG. 5). Modifying Yamakita's method of processing handwriting data according to Lee would be able to provide a wireless pen in providing the wireless capability for the apparatus. This would improve processing and therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to modify Yamakita according to Lee.

For claim 6, please refer back to claim 3 for the limitation wherein transmitting the handwritten information wirelessly to a communication device (the concept of wireless pen). In addition, Yamakita teaches the method of including the location of the remote user, forming an electronic file representing the handwritten information (column 1, lines 13-17), and transmitting the electronically captured handwriting from the communication device to the handwritten-information server (page 1, column 1 and column 2).

For claim 12, please refer back to claims 3 and 6 for the teaching of wireless communication. In addition, Yamakita teaches the concept of storing (computer) (page 2, column 1, line 30).

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Referring to claim 13, please refer back to claims 3, 6 and 12 for the teaching of wireless communication. Furthermore, Yamakita teaches a method providing an interactive user interface on a screen of a mobile device to enable a user to control functions (commands) applied (page 7, column 11, lines 39-47) to the handwriting information (simple interface) (page 2, column 2, lines 40-45).

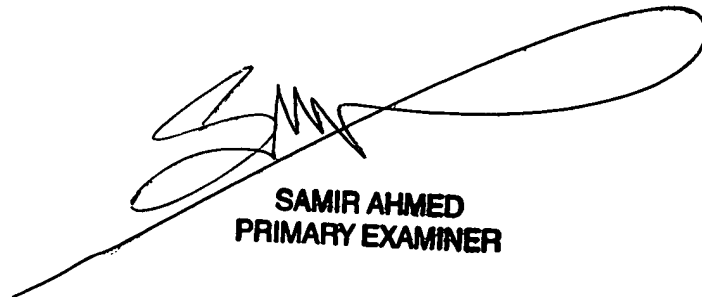
CONCLUSION

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Brian Q Le whose telephone number is 571-272-7424. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30 A.M - 5:30 P.M.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Amelia Au can be reached on 571-272-7414. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703-872-9306 for regular communications and 703-872-9306 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to TC Customer Service whose telephone number is 703-306-0377.

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May 11, 2005



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